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**TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS
FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AWARDS**

Nashville, Tenn. - The Tennessee Historical Commission is now accepting nominations for its Certificate of Merit Awards to honor individuals or groups that have worked to preserve Tennessee's cultural heritage during 2007. The deadline for submissions is March 26.

"Although much of our work at the Tennessee Historical Commission focuses on efforts to preserve and to restore historic structures, we also want to recognize people for the work they do in the areas of publication, commemoration and education to safeguard our history and heritage," said Patrick McIntyre, Executive Director of the Tennessee Historical Commission.

Award recipients will be honored at a special ceremony to mark Historic Preservation Month in May. The National Trust for Historic Preservation, Tennessee Historical Commission and other preservation organizations will join together to sponsor this event.

To make a nomination for a Certificate of Merit Award, please contact the Tennessee Historical Commission to request an application. The Commission can be reached by calling (615) 532-1550 or by writing to 2941 Lebanon Road, Nashville, TN 37214.

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